



## Glyceria maxima

### Reed manna grass

#### General

1. Perennial aquatic graminoid growing to 2.5m
2. Forms monocultures even in native range

#### Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Europe and temperate Asia
2. Habitats
  - Lakes, water courses, wetlands
  - Typically a freshwater species and found in riparian zones of slow-flowing rivers
  - Prefers full sun exposure; tolerates slight shade

#### Invasion Pathways

1. Intentionally as a forage species
2. Intentional introduction as an ornamental
3. Unintentional introduction by seed hitchhiking

#### Sources

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